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Comment. By means of this questionaire the Communist authorities

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Convent. The possibility of the Communists using hunger as a wearen exists, but it does not seem likely that they will use this

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